

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Alvin Brudvig and Elva Powell exchanged their wedding vows on July 2, 1937, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, The newly-wed couple of 70 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, Alvin and Elva gave life and love to 3 children, Phyllis, Ted and Jim, who in turn presented them with 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Alvin owned and operated his shoe repair business for 55 years and Elva was a Realtor and broker, but at the age of 52 became a licensed practical nurse and worked for 10 years at McKennan Hospital; and,

Whereas, Through their lifelong dedication to the values of caring and sharing, Alvin and Elva have helped make South Dakota a great place to live and work; and,

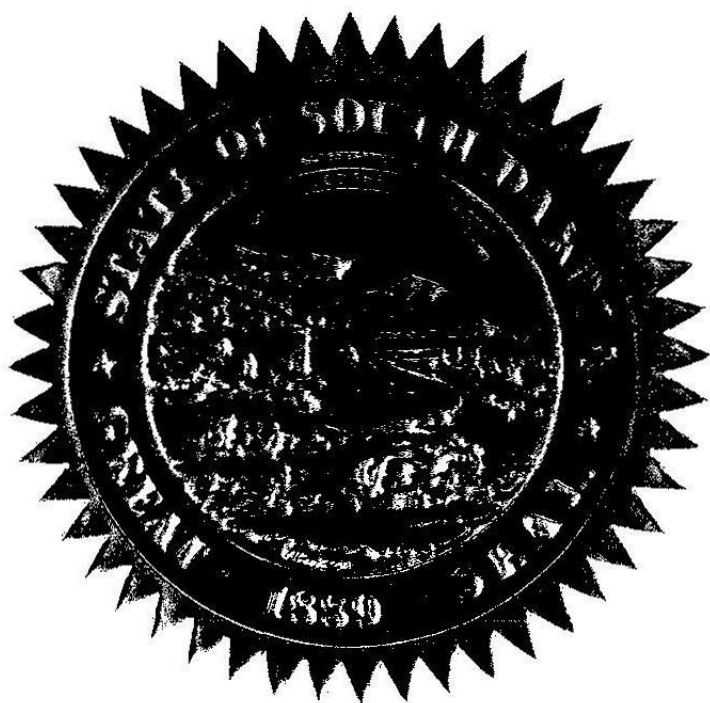
Whereas, On July 8, 2007, at the Downtown Holiday Inn in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Alvin and Elva will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary; and,

Whereas, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognizes and commemorates the memorable milestones in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens:

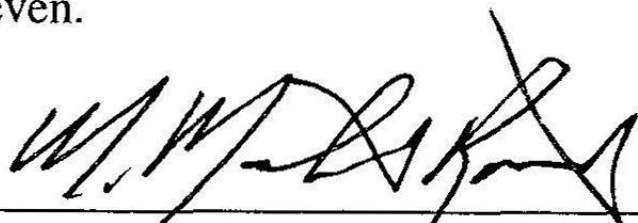
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 2, 2007, as

ALVIN AND ELVA BRUDVIG DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends as they gather to celebrate and wish them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State